(e) if not, the reason therefor ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI SHRIPAD YESSO NAIK) : (a) and (b) The students passing out from Aircraft Maintenance Engineering (AME) institutes do not get diploma but are issued a Certificate. Due to the rise in number of AME institutes in the country, the number of students passing out of these have also increased.

(c) No, Sir.

(d) Does not arise.

(e) The students obtaining AME licence, after passing out the examination conducted by Directorate General of Civil Aviation, have fair chances of employment.

Relocation of jhuggi clusters from sensitive airports

4649. SHRI B.J. PANDA :
MISS MABEL REBELLO :

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government are aware that some areas in the security sensitive airports are encroached by juggi- jhoumpary clusters or squatters; and

(b) if so, whether Government have plans to relocate them somewhere away from the sensitive spots with the details of the proposed action plan ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI SHRIPAD YESSO NAIK) : (a) Jhuggi-jhounpary clusters exist in sensitive areas at Mumbai Airport.

(b) 21 pockets of jhuggi-jhounpary clusters which pose security threat, have been identified and prioritized at Mumbai Airport. The information has been sent to Chief Secretary, Govrnment of Maharashtra for removal of the same from the sensitive spots.

Induction of indigenously built aircraft in IA's fleet

4650. SHRI PARMESHWAR KUMAR AGARWALLA : Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state :

(a) whether National Aerospace Laboratories have rolled out its first indigenously designed and built passenger aircraft;

(b) if so, the salient features of this aircraft;

(c) whether Government have a plan to induct this aircraft into the fleet of Indian Airlines;

(d) if so, the date by when the proposal is likely to be materialized;

(e) if not, the reasons therefor; and

(f) whether Government have explored overseas markets for export of this aircraft ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI SHRIPAD YESSO NAIK) : (a) and (b) First prototype of 'SARAS' (VT-XSD) aircraft built by the National Aerospace Laboratories (NAL) was taken out of the hangars of NAL on 4-2-2003 for the purpose of static display only. SARAS is a 14-seater multi role light transport aircraft.

(c) to (e) Indian Airlines has no plans to induct this type of aircraft in its fleet since commercial production has not commenced.

(f) Export potential of the aircraft has not yet been explored.

Construction of Helipads in States

4651. SHRI N. K. PREMACHANDRAN : Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government propose to construct helipads in the States with the cooperation of the State Governments;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) whether Government consider to implement any airline projects with the help of State Governments to improve tourism facilities ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI SHRIPAD YESSO NAIK) : (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) No, Sir.

Replacement of IA's Upholstery

4652. SHRI YADLAPATI VENKAT RAO : Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state :

(a) whether faded upholstery of Indian Airlines fleet is proposed to be changed;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and